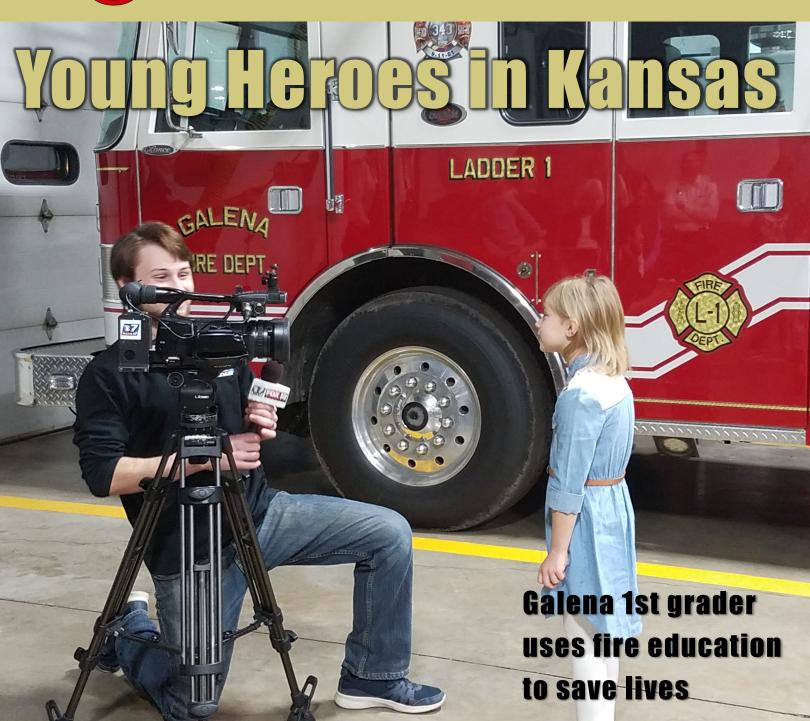


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#### FROM THE STATE FIRE MARSH

As we move forward in 2018, we look forward to another productive year of supporting the Kansas Fire Service and others in protecting the citizens and guests of Kansas from the hazards of fire. I am especially pleased to highlight the heroism of young Madyson Boyes in this issue. She is a first grader from Galena, who saved the lives of her greatgrandparents using information she learned from a fire safety message she received on a school field trip to the Galena Fire Department. Stories like hers give credence to what we do everyday.

In this issue, you will see many of our agency's top accomplishments over the past year. I am especially proud of our Get Alarmed, Kansas! program, which distributed 1,500 smoke alarms to Kansas fire departments to install in homes. That was three times what was distributed the previous year. We were also able to discontinue licensing fees for propane facilities, fire extinguisher/hood & suppression installers and the fireworks industry in Kansas, returning approximately \$250,000 back to businesses in the state.



As we continue through this year's legislative cycle, I enjoy hearing ideas or suggestions from our Kansas Fire Service. If you have any ideas or proposals that could benefit our mutual efforts to create a safer Kansas, please contact me at doug.jorgensen@ks.gov.

Thank you for reading the Winter issue of *The Trumpet*. We hope you'll enjoy this issue, and please share it with friends, family and co-workers.

Sincerely,

Doug Jorgensen State Fire Marshal

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#### Welcome, Amy Green, Adele Finney to our Administrative Division



We are pleased to welcome Amy Green, who has joined our Administrative Division as the Administrative Officer in Topeka.

Amy comes to the Office of the State Fire Marshal from the Kansas Corporation Commission. She has had several administrative positions which prepared her for her role at OSFM.

She enjoys gardening, volunteering and spending time with her husband, Jim, and two step-children, Tyler and Kayla. She has three black cats, Ebony (queen), Porter

(memory maker) and Murphy (clown), as well as a love bird, Sweetie.

"This job really fits my personality," Amy said. "It's everything I wanted in my next profession."

We are also pleased to welcome Adele Finney, who has joined our Administration team as an accountant. Adele comes to us from the Kansas Board of Cosmetology, where she worked as an accountant for seven years.

Adele is married and lives in Topeka. She enjoys garage sales.

"I am happy to be part of this team," Adele said. "Everybody is so friendly, and it is a great place to work."



### **Cory Standridge, Chad Collins join our Fire Prevention Inspection Team**



Cory Standridge has joined our Prevention team as a Fire Prevention Inspector in Independence, KS. Corv was previously a firefighter paramedic in Independence. He brings over six years of fire service experience to OSFM.

Cory, who was born and raised in Southeast Kansas. enjoys his time outside of his fire service career as an ordained pastor in the Nazarene Church and working on remodeling his house. He loves spending time with his two Boston Terriers, Cyrpi and Eros.

"I took this job as an opportunity to grow my experience in fire service," Cory said. "I love people, and especially helping them through difficult situations."

Chad Collins has joined our Prevention team as a Fire Prevention Inspector in the south-central region of Kansas. Chad was a Master Sergeant for 19 years in the Oklahoma Air National Guard. He brings over 15 years of fire service experience to the Office of the State Fire Marshal.

Chad, who recently moved to Wichita from Oklahoma, is avid outdoorsman and enjoys spending time with his family. He and his wife, Kelley, have three daughters, ages 17, 11 and 7. Adding to his busy household are two dogs and three cats.

"I am grateful for this opportunity," Chad said. "And I'm excited to put my years of experience and training to use in Kansas."

Welcome, Amy, Adele, Cory and Chad!





#### **OUR MISSION**

The agency's mission is to reduce the deaths, injuries, and property losses of Kansans through inspection, enforcement, regulation, investigation, education, hazardous material and search & rescue incident responses.

#### **OUR PURPOSE**

To reduce the deaths, injuries, and property losses of Kansans through:

- Inspection
- Enforcement
- Plans Review
- Fireworks and Explosives Regulation
- Investigation
- Hazardous material incident mitigation
- **Public education**
- Coordination of search and rescue efforts

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#### STAY CONNECTED





## Galena First Grader, Fire Safety Education Save Great Grandparents

A young Galena girl is being called a hero after the carbon monoxide alarm she bought her great grandparents saved their lives.

Madyson Boyes took a field trip with her Liberty Elementary School first grade class to the Galena Fire Department last year where she was taught fire safety.

"Last year we always go to the fire department to learn about stuff and when we're there he always tells us we need a fire alarm," Boyes said.

But homes need more than just a fire alarm.

"He stresses carbon monoxide alarms for houses, and that's what saved the great grandparents lives this year," Bill Hall, Galena Fire Chief said.

Boyes realized her great grandparents, who lived in Webb City, MO, didn't have one, so she asked her mom to get her great grandpa one for his birthday.



Boyes received recognition from the Office of the State Fire Marshal and the Galena Fire Department on Jan. 25, 2018 for being a hero and saving her great grandparents lives.



Boyes received media attention from local stations in Kansas and Missouri. She's shown here conducting an interview with Fox 14 TV

Just one year later, the unthinkable happened.

The alarm woke the great grandparents up in the early morning hours. They got out of the house safely.

The Webb City Fire Department checked the house and determined the furnace exhaust was leaking carbon monoxide fumes into the home.

"It's colorless, you don't smell it, there's no odor to it, it's hard to say how long you have, most people they go to bed and they don't get up, that's sad to say," Hall said.

The incident could have very well been fatal, especially due to the occupants ages.

"She's a hero as far as I'm concerned," Hall said. "Thanks to Fire Safety Week and a little girl listening to our message, her great grandparents are still here."

Boyes was recognized for saving her great grandparents lives by the Office of the State Fire Marshal and the Galena Fire Department on Jan. 25, 2018, in Galena, KS.

In 2017, the Office of the State Fire Marshal had many accomplishments. Here are a few listed by division:

#### Investigation Division

- We assisted in the training of over 30 Kansas firefighters in the 80-hour, certified fire investigator course.
- OSFM investigators assisted a local agency with the investigation of a serial arsonist. The suspect has been arrested and is awaiting trial for over 30 structure fires.
- We assisted and trained Kansas and out-of-state investigators in the utilization of the ATF's Bomb and Arson Tracking System. We assisted local agencies in over 406 investigations.
- We hosted a 40-hour class and trained over 30 Kansas investigators to be certified as wildland fire investigators.

#### Prevention Division

- Our Prevention Division discontinued licensing fees for propane facilities, fire extinguisher/hood & suppression installers and the fireworks industry in Kansas, returning approximately \$250,000 back to businesses in the state.
- We started the process of reviewing all long-term care facilities for the new Emergency Preparedness plans required for Centers for Medicaid Services accreditation.

### HazMat/Kansas Search & Rescue Response System Division

- We deployed three, 14-person Swiftwater/Flood Rescue Teams as part of the Kansas response to assist in Texas following Hurricane Harvey.
  - ⇒ The teams were comprised of 42 first responders from 15 different agencies and 12 different counties across the state.
  - ⇒ Kansas strike teams searched close to 1,200 structures and evacuated 27 individuals.
  - ⇒ In total, the joint operation resulted in over 4,000 structures searched and over 100 evacuations.
  - ⇒ The teams also worked on other small assignments and were on standby as needed.
- OSFM hosted four classes at Crisis City that provided advanced training in search & rescue operations to over 100 Fire and EMS personnel on our regional response teams.

- We continued to train and certify deployable canine search teams in the state.
- We hosted the 10th annual, three-day, Kansas Technical Rescue Conference in Salina.
- We purchased an additional emergency response vehicle and are converting a trailer for search & rescue response and logistical support.

OSFM distributed 1,500 smoke alarms through the Get Alarmed, Kansas! program, more than three times the number from the previous year.

### Smoke Alarm Giveaway Program, Get Alarmed Kansas!

- Since the Get Alarmed, Kansas! program started in 2014, our office has expanded it from initially offering a basic, 10-year, sealed smoke alarm to now including combination smoke/carbon monoxide alarm, a standalone carbon monoxide alarm, and two different types of smoke/carbon monoxide alarms for the hearing impaired.
- We rely on local fire departments to help promote the program and distribute the alarms.
- Over the last year, we have been strongly promoting the program with the State Fire Chiefs Association, the Kansas State Firefighters Association, the American Red Cross and Safe Kids Kansas.

#### Firefighter Recruitment & Safety Grant

- This was the second year of our in-state, Firefighter Recruitment and Safety grant. In the first year, we received over \$800,000 in requests for the allotted \$200,000.
- This year, we received over \$1 million in requests for the legislative-approved \$200,000 from local volunteer fire departments in Kansas. Departments can use the grant funds for firefighter bunker gear, SCBA Masks, the Junior Firefighter Program, washing machine (extractors), and costs for physicals for individual firefighters not covered by insurance or reimbursed by their department.

## **Tom McGaughey Fire Service Award**



**Derby Fire & Rescue Team,** from left, Fire Chief Brad Smith, Firefighters Aaron Fent, Skyeler Reynods, Derby Mayor Randy White, Brady Scifres, Hector Gonzales, Kenneth Lent, and Fire Marshal Doug Jorgenson.

Each year, the Office of the State Fire Marshal joins with the Kansas State Association of Fire Chiefs and Kansas State Firefighters Association to honor a firefighter or team of firefighters for heroic actions above and beyond the call of duty. This year, the agencies bestowed the 2017 Tom McGaughey Fire Service Award upon seven firefighters from the Derby Fire and Rescue Department.

The team was nominated for the award by Derby Fire Chief Brad Smith for their life-saving actions on Nov. 14, 2016, after responding to a house fire with a confirmed trapped victim. Firefighters Aaron Fent, Skyeler Reynolds, Hector Gonzales, Brady Scifres, Kyle Gasaway, Kenneth Linot and Chris Hodges were recognized at the Derby City Council meeting

on Dec. 12, 2017 by Smith, Kansas State Fire Marshal Doug Jorgensen and Derby Mayor Randy White.

Smith described the incident: The team was met with heavy fire conditions in the front of a house on the first and second floors when they arrived at the scene. While preparing to make an interior fire attack, one of the crew suffered an injury to his ankle that prevented him from assisting with interior operations. They continued an aggressive interior attack on the fire by advancing an attack line through the front door and extinguished the majority of the fire on the first floor before advancing the attack line upstairs. They also continued to assist with pumping operations until a water supply was established.

If you work with or know a firefighter or team of firefighters you would like to nominate for 2018, please visit our website for more information. http://firemarshal.ks.gov/mcgaughey



**Fire Marshal Doug Jorgenson** congratulates Derby Fire Chief Brad Smith for his teams' bravery and courage.

A Derby police officer told them he could hear the victim in the back bedroom. Gonzalez and Gasaway made entry into the house through a rear bedroom window and started a search for the victim. They located the victim in a hallway and removed him from the house through the back door.

Due to the injury of their crew mate, they split up to assist in both fire attack and search and rescue. The victim was transported by Sedgwick County EMS in critical condition to St. Francis where he passed away on Dec. 24, 2016 as a result of injuries sustained during the fire.

"This crew demonstrated an ability to remain calm and execute at a high level under the extreme stresses of responding to a house fire with heavy fire involvement, a confirmed victim, and the injury of one of the first arriving members," Smith said. "Their decision to continue with an aggressive interior fire attack despite losing a member of the crew, provided the necessary time and protection needed to find and recover the victim."

The Tom McGaughey Fire Service Award recognizes exemplary accomplishments and acts of heroism by firefighters and other persons at fire-related incidents in Kansas. The individual or team was recognized for their acts above and beyond their basic duties and responsibilities, and for exemplifying the finest traditions of the fire service.

"It's a pleasure to recognize this crew for their heroic actions last year," Jorgensen said. "We can all be proud of the Derby Fire and Rescue Department and thank them for their dedicated service to the citizens of Derby."



Firefighters Chris Hodges, above, and Kyle Gasaway, right, were not able to attend the recognition ceremony at the Derby City Council Meeting.





Tom McGaughey Wichita Fire Chief

1961-1968

The award was adopted in 1971 in memory of Wichita Fire Chief Tom McGaughey who perished in a fire, along with three others (Chief Fire Inspector Merle O. Wells, Firefighter Jimmy L. Austin and Firefighter Dale J. Mishler) at the Yingling Auto Dealership on November 21, 1968.

It is to be presented each year at the fire Chief's Conference to

the fire department and the firefighter or firefighters whose bravery and courage went above and beyond the call of duty.

2017 **Fire Chiefs Conference Garden City, KS** 

## **OSFM 2018 Legislative Priorities**

- Based on the response and need demonstrated by the applications for the Firefighter Recruitment and Safety grant program in 2017, this year, we will be asking the legislature to increase the existing grant funds from \$200,000 to \$400,000.
- In an effort to return more funds to the hard-working business owners in the state, we would like to discontinue the fees we are currently charging for boiler inspections and certificates. This would return over \$600,000 to approximately 14,000 businesses across the state.
- We will be adopting the 2018 version of the Fire and Life Safety Rules and Regulations. It is the intent of our office to establish an advisory board comprised local fire departments. administrations. city statewide labor organizations and all the different facility groups who we inspect and regulate. This board will be designed to work through all issues, questions and concerns that may arise from moving to the new rules and regulations.

## **Emergency Preparedness**

Emergency Preparedness is a key element in the world today. In Kansas, we can experience a vast array of emergency situations from ice storms that bring subzero temperatures in the winter, to violent tornadoes in the summer. It is important that we prepare for whatever situation we encounter.

CMS has now implemented the Emergency Preparedness Ruling, which was published on September 16, 2016 and it applies to all 17 provider and supplier types. The implementation date was November 15, 2017, with compliance required for participation in Medicare.

The Office of the State Fire Marshal will be doing inspections for *ONLY Nursing Homes (LTC) and Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities (PRTF)*. Kansas Department of Health and Environment will be conducting the other 15 provider type surveys. So if you are one of these 15 provider types and have questions, please contact them.





Review of Emergency Preparedness plans for LTC and PRTF will occur during the annual Life Safety Code surveys.

If you have any questions about the Emergency Preparedness Ruling, please contact Joel Beckner at joel.c.beckner@ks.gov or 785-296-0659. Training on the Emergency Preparedness rule can be provided to your facility either in person or via webinar.

### Newton residential facility staff saves lives and property through quick action

This month, a fire occurred at Asbury Park of Newton. The fire, however, is not the point of this article. The staff of Asbury Park are the heroes of Newton right now.

Fire and EMS Chief Metzler said that the staff "did everything right" and "literally saved the day" by their quick actions and by executing the training to be prepared for any such incidents.

Metzler said that in only a matter of minutes this would have turned into a major fire incident, were it not for those quick and effective actions by the staff.

The staff heard the fire start and immediately removed all 10 residents from the house. Maintenance staff then put out the fire with a fire extinguisher.

The fire was thankfully contained and caused minimal damage.

The OSFM would just like to commend the fast acting men and women of Asbury Park in their actions to make sure the residents were evacuated safely and that the facility received minimum damage.

## **Fire Safety Poster Contest Winners Announced**

Kindergarteners through fifth graders across the state collaborated with local fire departments to participate in our annual Fire Safety Poster Contest.

Students from across the state recently put their creative talents to work to help spread the message about fire safety by participating in the Fire Safety Poster Contest

conducted annually by the Office of the State Fire Marshal. The agency is delighted to announce the winners of this contest who were honored by then Governor Brownback and State Fire Marshal Doug Jorgensen at ceremony the office Governor's Friday, Jan 26, 2018.



The winning posters, along with those earning Honorable Mention recognition, were featured on a display in the Capitol Building rotunda that week and were highlighted in the 2018 Fire Safety Calendar.

The competition kicked off in October in conjunction with Fire Prevention Week. The poster contest is designed to support the fire safety education efforts of local fire departments. Participants were asked to use this year's theme, "Every Second Counts, Know 2 Ways Out," in their entries.

"Teaching fire safety to our youngest learners in Kansas is critical to promoting a safer Kansas for the future," State Fire Marshal Doug Jorgensen said. "We very much appreciate the efforts of all students who participated, and the schools and teachers who recognize the importance of ensuring their students know about this important subject."

Schools across Kansas encouraged participation from their students, who demonstrated their knowledge of fire

safety that they had learned in school or at home. The Poster Contest was divided into grade categories, kindergarten through fifth grade.

#### 2017 Winners:

- Andi Grable, kindergarten, Troy Grade School, Troy, Kansas
- **Ella Grable**, first grade, Troy Grade School, Troy, Kansas
- Nicole Wissler, second grade, Troy Grade School, Troy, Kansas
- Blaire Beougher, third grade, Stockton Grade School, Stockton, Kansas
- Mason Holmes, fourth grade, Northeast Elementary School, Arma, Kansas
- Emily Britt, fifth grade, Central Junior High School, Columbus, Kansas

Several students' entries were recognized as "Honorable Mentions," and their posters were also featured in the annual Fire Safety Calendar along with the winners.

#### Students earning Honorable Mention include:

- Callie Anderson, kindergarten, Kinsley-Offerle Elementary School, Offerle, Kansas
- **Sophia Ibarra**, first grade, Jennie Wilson Elementary School, Garden City, Kansas
- Edgar Romo-Retana, second grade, Jennie Wilson elementary School, Garden City, Kansas
- Sara Pando, third grade, Greeley County Elementary School, Tribune, Kansas
- Hailey Nolan, fourth grade, Greeley County Elementary School, Tribune, Kansas
- **Sienna DeFrain**, fifth grade, Pretty Prairie Middle School, Pretty Prairie, Kansas

Visit www.firemarshal.ks.gov to see all of the winners' artwork and information on participating.



**From left:** Fire Marshal Doug Jorgenson, kindergarten winner, Andi Grable, and former Governor Sam Brownback.



**From left:** Fire Marshal Doug Jorgenson, first grade winner, Ella Grable, and former Governor Sam Brownback.



**From left:** Fire Marshal Doug Jorgenson, second grade winner, Nicole Wissler, and former Governor Sam Brownback.



**Artwork of third grade winner, Blaire Beougher,** who was not able to attend the Governor's recognition photo opportunity.



**From left:** Fire Marshal Doug Jorgenson, fourth grade winner, Mason Holmes, and former Governor Sam Brownback.



**From left: Fire Marshal Doug Jorgenson,** fifth grade winner, Emily Britt, and former Governor Sam Brownback.

## **Cribside Space Heaters Recalled Due to Fire, Burn Hazards**

#### Several fire hazard recalls announced by United States Consumer Product Safety Commission

Name of product: Sunny CS (cribside) nursery space heaters Hazard: A broken motor mount can allow the electric heating element to come in contact with the interior plastic materials and ignite, posing fire and burn

hazards. **Remedy:** Replace

Recall date: January 31, 2018

Units: About 5,000 in the U.S. (In addition, about 100

were sold in Canada.)

Name of product: Lithium-ion batteries for HP notebook

computers and mobile workstations

Hazard: The lithium-ion batteries can overheat, posing

fire and burn hazards **Remedy:** Replace

Recall date: January 4, 2018

Units: About 50,000 (in addition, 2,600 were sold in Canada)

Name of product: Power adapter wall plugs sold with Fujifilm digital cameras

**Hazard:** The power adapter wall plug can crack, break or detach and remain in the wall and expose live electrical contacts, posing a shock hazard.

Remedy: Replace

Recall date: January 16, 2018

Units: About 270,000 (In addition, about 24,000 were sold

in Canada.)



Name of product: Snow globes Hazard: Light refraction through the globes can singe or melt items in contact with or in the immediate proximity, posing a fire hazard.

Remedy: Refund

Recall date: January 12, 2018

Units: About 43

For more information on these recalls and others and to sign up for direct recall notifications, please visit <a href="https://www.cpsc.gov.">www.cpsc.gov.</a>

## **OSFM Fire Investigators Teaching Law Students**



**OSFM Fire Investigator Tony Celeste** working with law students at Washburn University Law School, Topeka. OSFM fire investigators routinely work with local judges to educate new attorneys on fire investigation.

## Get Alarmed, Kansas! Baxter Springs FD

Baxter Springs Fire Department joined our Get Alarmed, Kansas! program in August of 2017. Since then they have received two separate orders totaling 36 smoke alarms. They have also submitted *completed* install forms for all 36!

Currently they have requests from 20 different families. We sent out 48 more smoke alarms to them in November to fill those requests.

Baxter Springs Fire Department will have a total of 84 smoke alarms (once all are installed) for a population of just 4,000. Great job, Baxter Springs Fire Department, on doing your part to keep your residents safe!

For more information on our Get Alarmed, Kansas! Program, please visit www.firemarshal.ks.gov or email kelly.ingold@ks.gov.



## GETALERMED KANSAS



The OSFM would like to give a **SHOUT OUT** to the following departments and organizations for their involvement with the Get Alarmed Kansas program during 2017! The program includes combo smoke/CO alarms for any Kansas homeowner as well as strobe alarms and bedside shakers for deaf and hard-of-hearing Kansans. **3,864** of these alarms have been distributed since the beginning of the program. Thank you again and Happy 2018!

Abilene Fire Department American Red Cross Andover Fire & Rescue Argonia & Dixon Township FD Arkansas City Fire/EMS Augusta Dept. of Public Safety Baldwin City Fire Department **Baxter Springs Fire Department** Blue Rapids Fire District #7 **Bonner Springs Fire Department** Caney Vol. Fire Department Centralia Fire Department Chanute Fire Department Chautauqua Co. RFD #1 Cherryvale Fire & Rescue Clay Center Fire Department **Clearwater Emergency Services** Crawford Co. FD #1 Dickinson Co. FD #2 El Dorado Fire Department **Emporia Fire Department Eudora Fire Department Eudora Township FD** Fairmount Twp. Fire Department Fairview Township FD Ford County Fire & EMS Dept. Fort Scott Fire Department Frankfort Fire Department Frontenac Fire & Rescue

Graham Co. RFD **Grainfield Fire Department Great Bend Fire Department** Hays Fire Department Hiawatha Fire Department Holton Fire Department **Hutchinson Fire Department** Iola Fire Department Jackson Co. RFD #1 Jackson Co. RFD #3 Jefferson Co. RFD #8 Jefferson Co. FD #12 Jo. Co. FD #1 Junction City FD KCK Fire Department Kanwaka Township FD Kaw Twp. FD #1 Larned Fire Department Lawrence-Douglas Co. Fire & Medical Leavenworth Co. FD #1 Leavenworth Fire Department Linn Valley Fire Department Manhattan Fire Department Marion Co. FD #2 McPherson Fire Department Milford Vol. Fire Department Mission Township FD Nemaha Co. Fire District #2

Norton County Emerg. Mgmt. Olathe Fire Department Osage Twp. Fire Department Paola Fire Department Pittsburg Fire Department Powhattan Fire Department Reno Co. FD #1 Riley County FD #1 Salina Fire Department Scranton Fire Department Shawnee Co. FD #2 Shawnee Fire Department Shawnee Heights Fire Department Soldier Township Fire Department South Hutchinson Fire Department St. Marys Fire Department Stevens County Health Department Tonganoxie Fire Department Tonganoxie Twp. RFD Topeka Fire Department Valley Center Fire Department Wabaunsee Co. FD #6 Wabaunsee Co. FD #7 Wakefield Fire Department Wellington Fire & EMS Dept. Wichita Fire Department Wilson Co. RFD Winfield Fire Department

If your department would like to learn about the "Get Alarmed, Kansas" program, please go to www.firemarshal.ks.gov or email kelly.ingold@ks.gov.

Neodesha Fire Department



Home fires occur more in winter than in any other season. As you stay cozy and warm this winter season, **be fire smart!** 

#### Half of all home heating fires

occur in the months of



Heating equipment is involved in reported home fires and 1 in every 5 home fire deaths.

Keep portable generators outside, away from windows, and **as far away as possible from your home.** 

**Install** and **test** carbon monoxide alarms at least **once a month.** 



Have a qualified professional clean and inspect your chimney and vents **every year.** 



Keep anything that can burn at least

feet from any heat source like fireplaces, wood stoves, radiators, or

space heaters.

Plug only heat-producing appliance (such as a space heater) into an electrical outlet at a time.











